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              2. Dredging of Constanta Harbor

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1. [redacted] the M/S TRANSYLVANIA traveled to the Soviet Black Sea ports of Poti and Batum with a cargo of 1,500 tons of cement. The cargo for the return trip to the home port of Constanta was cotton.
2. While the TRANSYLVANIA was maneuvering in Poti harbor, the engines of the ship did not respond and a Soviet ship was damaged in a collision. The TRANSYLVANIA and its crew were held for an investigation. Meanwhile, it was reported in Constanta that the TRANSYLVANIA was carrying political prisoners who started a mutiny when they found they were to be debarked in Poti. During the ensuing fight the TRANSYLVANIA collided with the Soviet vessel. [redacted] this report was untrue. [redacted] 50X1-HUM  
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3. The TRANSYLVANIA traveled to Batum and returned to Constanta where it was undergoing repairs and a general overhaul.
4. [redacted] dredging operations were in progress in the harbor of Constanta. An [redacted] ship with a deep draft touched bottom and stopped all ship movement in the harbor. Three dredges were towed by the Soviets from the Sulina-Danube River delta area to Constanta. The Constanta harbor and its approaches are free from mines. 50X1-HUM
5. Many Constanta citizens have been evacuated to Bicaz in Moldavia to work on the construction of a dam.
6. Each Sovromtransport ship must communicate by radio with Bucharest six times each 24 hours.

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